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Appendix – Marked-up version showing changes made

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. **(Twice Amended)** A method for generating a signal rich in prosody information comprising the steps of:

including in said signal a plurality of phonemes represented by phoneme symbols,
including in said signal a duration specification associated with each of said phonemes,

including, for at least one of said phonemes, at least two prosody parameter specifications, with each specification of a prosody parameter specifying a target value for said prosody parameter and [a] any selected point in time for reaching said target value.

21. **(Amended)** A method for generating a signal rich in prosody information comprising:

a first step for including in said signal a plurality of phoneme symbols,
a second step for including in said signal a desired duration of each of said phoneme symbols,

a third step for including at least one target prosody parameter value within a duration for at least one of said phonemes at [a] an explicitly chosen time offset from the beginning of the duration of said phoneme that is greater than zero and less than the duration of said phoneme.